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LEFT: Andrew Harkins, left, a senior majoring in animation and illustration, gets a hug on Wednesday from John Deguzman, a senior majoring in civil engineering. Deguzman gave out hugs for an assignment for a Rec 10 class at SJSU. BELOW: Kathy Dung, a senior majoring in business and marketing, gets a free hug from John Deguzman, a senior majoring in civil engineering.



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Library sciences examines future tech

By Ryan Berg
Daily Staff Writer

Public libraries are in the process of embracing today's technological resources to better serve people, according to a lecture Thursday at the Sainte Claire Hotel in downtown San Jose.

"Library 2.0 is using Web 2.0 tech innovations to create a library user experience," said Stephan Abram, vice president of innovation for SirsiDynix, a Canada-based company that provides technological solutions for libraries.

Abram said that libraries and librarians need to begin learning and utilizing the tools that today's generation is enthralled with, such as YouTube, Podzinger, iTunes,

the countless amount of blogs and many others.

Abram, who gives approximately 100 keynote speeches a year, said that around 80 percent of public libraries in the world use his software, which helps give libraries a link to the ever-moving technology world.

"It's interesting to consider the possible futures for libraries and information science," said Rebecca Feind, information literacy coordinator for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library.

Abram noted that one of the main barriers is that the older baby boomer generation isn't used to such rapid tech innovations.

"Oh my God, I have to double-

click — someone get me a course," Abram joked to the audience of about 80 people. "The reality is, we're going to have to prepare for massive incremental change."

Abram said new technologies and alternate resources aside from books are very important.

"Only about 20 percent of people are text-based learners," Abram said.

Another innovation in recent years has been Second Life, a three-dimensional virtual world where people can create an avatar, or character, and do anything from hitting up dance clubs or casinos to buying virtual land and starting a business, which some people have actually made a real-life living off

of, according to www.secondlife.com.

Ken Haycock, director of the San Jose State University school of library and information sciences, said the school has just recently purchased its own island on Second Life, which the school will use to build learning resources that people can access in the virtual world.

Although some may believe that, with the advent of technology, libraries are becoming obsolete, Abram said there is nothing to worry about.

"Library building is up, book circulation is up. If anything, the

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Silicon Valley CEO speaks to engineering department

By Adam Browne
Daily Staff Writer

Bertrand Cambou, president and chief executive officer of Spansion Inc, a local computer company, spoke at the Engineering building lecture hall on Thursday to a packed room.

The College of Engineering sponsored the symposium entitled, "Memory — A Crucial Technology for the Digital Age."

"Spansion employs 9,000 people who work in the computer memory field and primarily we focus on flash memory devices," Cambou said.

Cambou said Spansion has the last laboratory aimed at next generation technologies actually located in Silicon Valley, as most other companies have moved their labs because of the high cost of living.

T. J. Villar, a senior in industrial systems design said he liked the background information on the different kinds of memory.

"I liked how he talked about the background of flash memory and its efficiency and how he mentioned future advances in computing," Villar said.

Cambou also said that com-

puters in automobiles have become better and more efficient through the use of flash memory cards that the onboard computers use to control vehicle systems.

Flash is a type of memory storage used in just about every computer related item, ranging from MP3 players, to cell phones, to automobile GPS, to engine diagnostic programs.

"Memory devices use physics in their operation as computers use binary code that breaks down the code to ones and zeroes," Cambou said. "In physics you have action and reaction. You

have to use energy to get a reaction from memory."

Belle W. Wei, the dean of the College of Engineering, said she liked the symposium for the information presented on automotive computers.

"This is what I got out of his lecture," Wei said. "I liked that he discussed the computers in newer cars and how they've improved fuel efficiency and make them run better in all types of weather and road conditions."

Flash memory comes in at

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Slide show chronicles conflict

Palestinian-Israeli border dispute subject of campus discussion

By Stefanie Chase
Daily Staff Writer

Students and members of the community congregated in the Student Union's Almaden room for a slide show presentation focusing on the current events in Palestine.

The event was called "Facts vs. Myths of Events in Lebanon and Palestine" and was hosted by a campus group called Students for Democracy.

"We are basically just trying to raise awareness ... on social justice issues," said Sarah Morris, a member of the group and organizer of the event.

She added that the group is in the process of changing its name from Students for Democracy to Students for Change.

"The main goal of this (was) to just kind of show the effect or experiences of people who came across the Israeli occupation," Morris said.

Paul Larudee, who volunteers with a nonviolent Palestinian resistance movement, was denied entry into Israel last June.

Larudee said he was told that he was "considered a danger to Israel." He added that Israeli officials didn't tell him or his lawyer much else.

"I had to spend two weeks in an Israeli detention facility ...," Larudee said to the audience.

Larudee said he got a phone call a couple months later asking if he would be a volunteer for a nonviolent resistance movement in Palestine.

David Gerald, a junior majoring in political science, said he wasn't sure what to expect at the event. He added that he wanted to check it out.

"I always try to go to these things," Gerald said in regards to free, on-campus events.

Larudee started out his slide presentation by showing maps of the area that he would be referring to during the presentation.

"My experience was that I didn't see a single village (that didn't have significant destruc-

tion)," Larudee said to the audience.

His main objective for the presentation was to present his experiences in Lebanon as a member of a nonviolent resistance group.

"We had only seven days to organize," Larudee said of the convoy.

He added that three-fourths of the group were Lebanese and the rest were internationals.

Larudee said the tactic was to recruit a lot of "ordinary, non-threatening" people to protest.

"We did have a lot of press lined up," Larudee said.

He added that the group had support from government officials and members of the European parliament.

"This is how you do nonviolent work so that you are not in serious danger and that you accomplish your ends," Larudee said to the audience.

The group started out with 39 people but, through recruits, ended up with approximately 200 participants, Larudee said.

He added that some of the people who had never participated in a group like his had their doubts and believed they were going to be killed.

"Ultimately, we failed," Larudee said. "We failed to reach our destination."

He added that although the group was unsuccessful, the turnout of participants in just a week's time was encouraging.

Morris said the presentation was more of a personal account and showed how his experiences varied from what the media show.

Larudee said that since all of the villages he saw were "pinpointed," it was hard to believe that only some of the villages were being targeted as officials say.

"In Beirut, we were hearing the bombardment almost every evening in the south," Larudee said to the audience.

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CHANTERA GUNN/ DAILY STAFF

Paul Larudee speaks in the Almaden room in the Student Union on Thursday about his trip to Lebanon in support of the nonviolent resistance movement.

LIFE ON STANDBY

Paranoia distracts voters from learning the issues on the ballot

The final weekend of campaigning has ended, and only one day remains before Californians hit the polls and elect the same or a new governor for California. Along with the governor position are several other state office spots: a new mayor for San Jose and propositions A-E and 83-90.

Trying not to confuse Proposition 83, the restriction and monitoring of sex offenders, with that of Proposition 86, the tax of cigarettes, is enough to give a headache to anyone who has never voted.

Fortunately for me, this is not my first election, and I’ve tried to keep my proposition numbers straight. “Tried” being the operative word in the sentence.

Thankfully, we are allowed to bring our voter guides along with us into the polling booths. Too bad our voter guides don’t tell us if the method of voting we are using is being done correctly.

In the three years since I have registered as a voter, I’ve voted in three separate elections and cast my ballot three different ways.

Punch-card ballot.

Touch-screen.

Absentee ballot.

Each, supposedly, is a step up from the last one in accuracy or convenience.

However, each time I’ve voted, I’m left wondering if I was doing it right and if my vote was even counted. It’s not like I’m going to stand there and watch one by one as volunteers match up my chads, process the electronic data from the touch-screens or

open my mailed absentee ballot.

So, how do I know if my one voice mattered?

And how do I know if I even did it right or wrong, unless someone points it out to me and shows me how to do it correctly or congratulates me for doing it right?

With the chad ballots, I was paranoid that I didn’t puncture the ballot enough and was left with either a hanging or dimpled chad. Or I was worried that I wasn’t correctly lining up the ballot with the holes and, in the process, was voting for the wrong candidate or proposition.

After all, it was because of these chads that the nation was unsure about who won the 2000 presidential

election between Republican candidate George W. Bush and Democratic candidate Al Gore.

Then with the touch-screen, I thought about my finger pressing the wrong box or arrow, and if I did pick a box, how did I know it was that box I picked? How about if it highlighted the one underneath or above it instead of my choice?

And how do I know our technology age that the electronic voting machines won’t get hacked into changing my votes entirely? It can happen after all.

According to a Nov. 4 San Jose Mercury News article, Secretary of State Bruce McPherson trusts the electronic touch-screen voting system and has been trying to assure voters of its accuracy by placing a certified system that meets the highest standards.

“I want to assure all California voters,” McPherson said, “that their vote will be counted and recorded accurately.”

Yes, but how do we know it really will?

Kim Alexander, president and founder of the California Voter Foundation, said in the article that McPherson has tried to make the system work, but physically, the machines can easily be opened and have memory cards of votes replaced without anyone

noticing the difference.

Lastly, the convenience of absentee ballots may be fine and dandy, but will someone actually open hundreds, thousands and millions of envelopes to see where my black or blue inked line is shaded in? What stops me from thinking that all those absentee ballots are not just opened and tossed into a shredder or sent into a recycling bin upon being received?

And with 47 percent of California voters voting absentee in the June primary, it may be just as high for tomorrow’s Nov. 7 election, according to an Associated Press article by Rachel Konrad. Can we be so sure those voices are heard as well?

Three different methods of casting my vote and three different uncertainties as to whether or not my vote is being processed or not.

So, while you are brushing up and preparing to research how to cast your votes in tomorrow’s election, make sure to ask yourself: How sure am I that I know what I’m doing?

Janet Marcelo is the Spartan Daily opinion editor. “Life on Standby” appears every Monday.

SPARTA GUIDE

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TODAY

School of Art and Design

Student Galleries Art Exhibitions in Galleries 2, 3, 5, 8, Herbert Sanders and Black Gallery from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Art building and Industrial Studies building. For more information, contact the gallery office at (408) 924-4330.

Counseling Services

Counseling Services will host a meditation and stress reduction group from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Administration building room 201. For more information, contact Mark Forman at (408) 924-5910.

Give Props to Know Your Props

The Associated Students Legislative Affairs Committee is holding a voter education and mobilization event testing and educating students on the different ballot propositions from 7 to 9 p.m. in Royce Hall Lounge. For more information, e-mail Michael Reyes mreyes@as.sjsu.edu.

Voter Education and Mobilization

The Associated Students Legislative Affairs Committee will hand out Easy Voter Guides and answer questions voter may have from 11 a.m. to

3 p.m. in front of the Student Union. For more information, e-mail Michael Reyes mreyes@as.sjsu.edu.

TUESDAY

Concert Series

A part of the listening hour celebration titled “Celebrating SJSU Small Jazz Band” from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. in the Music building Concert Hall. For more information, contact Joan Stubbe at (408) 924-4649.

Job Fair Success Workshop

The Career Center hosts a workshop on job searching strategies for fairs and employer events from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. in the Career Center Module F. For more information, contact Evelyn Castillo at (408) 924-6031.

“Succeeding while dancing backward: Insights from female business leaders”

A panel discussion on the issues faced by female executives in today’s global business environment from 6 to 8 p.m. in the University Room. For more information, e-mail Sofia Moede at moede_s@cob.sjsu.edu.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear editor,

I am writing in response to the opinion articles regarding the fees we are paying as students of San Jose State University (Spartan Daily, Nov. 2). I believe that an issue was missed in this discussion: The fact that we attend a state university.

Lindsay Bryant complains about the student fees she pays biting into her “coffee money” fund, and that the cost of tuition at SJSU is already too high. However, she takes for granted the fact that much of our tuition is paid by California’s taxpayers, millions of whom are not students.

If the people of California were not assisting our school (and the other schools in the CSU and UC systems) we would be paying a lot more than \$1,000 a semester. The fees to attend private schools are nowhere near as low.

I love the fact that our transit fees allow me to ride the light rail for \$21 a semester. Not only am I saving money, I am saving our dwindling natural resources (or did Bryant forget that we are in a gas crisis). Even if a student doesn’t live near a light

rail station, you can use park and ride for free.

In addition, I do not have health insurance and \$71.50 is nothing compared with what I would have to pay to visit an off-campus doctor’s office.

As far as “getting knocked up” is concerned, I don’t have any children, but until child care is universally available, I’ll pay \$8 if it helps my fellow students get to class.

SJSU is a community, and we are all a part of it. There are thousands of us here, and we’re not all going to be using every resource that is made available.

Many of us have to struggle financially to attend school, but there are options (scholarships and financial aid) out there for those of us who need help. If Bryant is “in the hole,” as she claims, I would suggest she quit buying so much coffee.

That would save her \$80 a month. That’s \$960 a year she’s wasting.

*Shannon Bowman-Sarkisian
graduate student
creative writing*

EDITORIAL

SJSU, here is your chance to get your voices out there and heard

It may not be the presidential election, but going to the polls on Tuesday will nonetheless be important.

There is the governor’s race, state offices, the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate, 11 statewide propositions and a handful of local propositions, depending on what county and city you live in.

In other words, there is a lot riding on people getting out to vote.

But if recent statistics are right, many college-age students will not let their voices be heard.

In the 2004 presidential election, which had nearly 70 percent of registered voters turn out, people ages 18 to 24 had a 41.9 percent vote, according to U.S. Census statistics.

According to the U.S. Census, barely more than half, 51.5 percent, of our age group is even registered to vote — an abysmal number considering that the last two presidential races came down to the wire.

In the infamous 2000 election, Florida remained undecided for days as the state was forced to recount the votes in several counties.

When the dust settled, George W. Bush was declared the winner, receiving just 930 more votes than Al Gore.

In 2004, Ohio’s results were too close to call until early the next morning and ultimately went to Bush by a little more than 100,000 votes in a state where more than 5 million votes were cast.

But this was the presidential election where the turnout is traditionally higher among registered voters.

In 2002, a midterm election like this year, just 17.2 percent of 18- to 24-year-olds voted, according to U.S. Census figures. That was 44.8 percent of registered voters within the age group.

That figure is down from 71 percent of registered voters in the same age.

Just two years ago, there were nearly 28 million people who fell into this age group, according to the U.S. Census. According to the figures, 11.6 million didn’t even vote.

Given the closeness of the past two elections, imagine what just a 10 percent increase in voters could have done.

Locally, just a few extra votes can make a difference.

College students have a lot riding on the outcome of this election.

Fees could go up or down depending on who gets elected.

Do you think Arnold Schwarzenegger is doing a

good job for college students and for the state? Do you think Phil Angelides can do a better job?

How about Proposition 1D, the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006?

This would allow the state to sell bonds with the intention of providing extra funds for schools to update facilities and attempt to relieve overcrowded classes.

Do you think this would provide much needed relief to schools or do you think that selling more bonds will plunge the already debt-ridden state into more debt?

How about Proposition 85, which would require parent notification before a minor could receive an abortion?

Do you think that abortion is wrong and should be abolished? Do you think that abortion is a woman’s right, no matter how old she is? Do you hate abortion, but think that some minors live in hostile environments and notifying parents would be dangerous?

Whatever your beliefs, for or against, you should allow your voice to be heard about Proposition 85 and all the other issues.

Voter apathy is usually the result of people believing that one vote won’t make a difference.

What would happen if everybody who said that went out and voted?

Suddenly the voice of the people could truly be heard.

College students so often have something to complain about our government, specifically how our fees keep going up.

Well, here is your chance to do something about it.

Here is your chance to earn your right to complain.

Here is your chance to say that even though your side lost, you at least had your voice heard.

It’s time to vote, San Jose State University. It’s time to defy the statistics.

This society was founded on the principle that we all have to have a voice. People died because a faraway government wouldn’t listen to them. Let’s embrace that right.

So go vote before class on Tuesday.

Go vote after class.

Have work? Well, go before work. Or even vote during a lunch break.

Just go vote.

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Court sentences Saddam to death by hanging

By Steven R. Hurst
Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Defiant, raging and arrogant to the end, Saddam Hussein trembled and shouted "God is great" as he was sentenced to hang.

"Long live the people and death to their enemies. Long live the glorious nation, and death to its enemies!" Saddam cried out.

Then bailiffs took the arms of Iraq's once all-powerful leader, and the man the United States went to war to drive from power walked steadily from the courtroom with a smirk on his face.

The hawk-faced chief judge, Raouf Abdul-Rahman, sentenced Saddam to the gallows Sunday for crimes against humanity, convicting the former dictator and six subordinates for a nearly quarter-century-old case of violent suppression in this land of long memories, deep grudges and sectarian slaughter.

Shiites and Kurds, who had been tormented and killed in the tens of thousands under Saddam's iron rule, erupted in celebration — but looked ahead fearfully for a potential backlash from the Sunni insurgency that some believe could be a final shove into all-out civil war.

A round-the-clock curfew imposed before the verdict helped avert widespread bloodshed, but police said 72 people were killed or found dead nationwide by daybreak, and worries grew about what will happen when the curfew is lifted.

The former Iraqi dictator and six subordinates were convicted and sentenced for the 1982 killings of 148 people in a single Shiite town after an attempt on his life there.

The nine-month trial had inflamed the nation, and three defense lawyers and a witness were murdered in the course of its 39 sessions.

Televised, the trial was watched throughout Iraq and the Middle East as much for theater as for substance. Saddam was ejected from the courtroom repeatedly for his political harangues, and his half brother and co-defendant, Barzan Ibrahim, once showed up in long underwear and sat with his back to

the judges.

With justice for Saddam's crimes done, the U.S.-backed Shiite prime minister called for reconciliation and delivered the most eloquent speech of his five months in office.

"The verdict placed on the heads of the former regime does not represent a verdict for any one person. It is a verdict on a whole dark era that was unmatched in Iraq's history," Nouri al-Maliki said.

The White House praised the Iraqi judicial system and denied the U.S. had been "scheming" to have the historic verdict announced two days before American midterm elections, widely seen as a referendum on the Bush administration's policy in Iraq.

President Bush called the verdict "a milestone in the Iraqi people's efforts to replace the rule of a tyrant with the rule of law."

"It's a major achievement for Iraq's young democracy and its constitutional government," the president said.

"Today, the victims of this regime have received a measure of the justice which many thought would never come," he added.

But symbolic of the split between the United States and many of its traditional allies over the Iraq war, many European nations voiced opposition to the death sentences in the case, including France, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain and Sweden. A leading Italian opposition figure called on the continent to press for Saddam's sentence to be commuted to life imprisonment.

Lost in the drama of Sunday's death sentence was any mention of the failed search for the alleged weapons of mass destruction that Bush said led the United States to invade and occupy Iraq in March 2003.

Saddam was found hiding with an unfired pistol in a hole in the ground near his home village north of Baghdad in December 2003, eight months after he fled the capital ahead of advancing American troops.

Twenty-two months later, he went on trial for ordering the torture and murder of nearly 150 Shiites from the city of Dujail. Saddam said those who were killed had been found guilty in a legiti-

mate Iraqi court for trying to assassinate him in 1982.

Ibrahim, Saddam's half brother and intelligence chief during the Dujail killings, was sentenced to join the former leader on the gallows, as was Awad Hamed al-Bandar, head of Iraq's Revolutionary Court, which issued the death sentences against the Dujail residents.

Iraq's former Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan was convicted of premeditated murder and sentenced to life in prison.

Three defendants were given up to 15 years in prison for torture and premeditated murder. Abdullah Kazim Ruwayyid and his son, Mizhar Abdullah Ruwayyid, were party officials in Dujail, along with Ali Dayih Ali. They were believed responsible for the Dujail arrests.

A local Baath Party official Mohammed Azawi Ali, was acquitted for lack of evidence.

In the streets of Dujail, a Tigris River city of 84,000, people celebrated and burned pictures of their former tormentor as the verdict was read. In Baghdad, the Shiite bastion of Sadr City exploded in jubilation.

But in Saddam's hometown of Tikrit, not far from Dujail, 1,000 people defied the curfew and carried pictures of the city's favorite son through the streets. Some declared the court a product of the U.S. "occupation forces" and condemned the verdict. Policemen wept in the streets.

"By our souls, by our blood we sacrifice for you, Saddam," the Tikrit crowds chanted.

A trial envisioned to heal Iraq's deep ethnic and sectarian wounds appeared rather to have deepened the fissures.

"This government will be responsible for the consequences, with the deaths of hundreds, thousands or even hundreds of thousands, whose blood will be shed," Salih al-Mutlaq, a Sunni political leader, told Al-Arabiya satellite television.

The death sentences automatically go to a nine-judge appeals panel, which has unlimited time to review the case. If the verdicts and sentences are upheld, the executions must be carried out within 30 days.



GAVIN MCCHESENEY/DAILY SENIOR STAFF

Stephen Abram gives a talk Friday on Web 2.0 and the use of technology in libraries in the Santa Vesta Room at the Sainte Claire Hotel in San Jose.

LIBRARY- Dept. buys online island

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Internet is cutting into television time," Abram said.

Abram noted that in some areas where libraries had adapted to new technology and Web resources, student pass rates increased.

Abram said he wants libraries to use Bluetooth wireless headsets to communicate, and tablet computers where they can

quickly access information for people.

In regards to any libraries that may not be striving to become technologically savvy, Abram said, "They risk being isolated and irrelevant, but that will not happen."

Abram said that while some libraries are taking the first steps in innovation, not enough libraries are trying to be innovative.

Anthony Bernier, assistant professor for the SJSU school of library and information sciences, said libraries need to be about the experience, interaction and sociability, and those aspects need to be emphasized so that the library is no longer the silent place people think it to be.

"Libraries can be the center for kids' lives in ways not known," Bernier said.

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—Anthony Bernier, assistant professor

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SJSU beats NMSU 31-21

With victory, Spartans become bowl eligible

Daily Staff Report

A big play from the special teams unit, along with another strong second half performance from its defense, led the San Jose State University football team to its first road win since 2003, defeating New Mexico State University 31-21 Saturday night in Las Cruces, N.M.

With their sixth victory of the season, the Spartans are eligible to play in a postseason bowl game for the first time since 2000.

Trailing 21-18 early in the fourth quarter, SJSU running back Patrick Perry blocked the New Mexico State

punt attempt, tight end Jeff Clark picked up the ball at the 2-yard line and raced into the end zone to give SJSU the key go-ahead touchdown.

The touchdown gave the Spartans their first lead of the game with 12:57 remaining in the contest.

A late touchdown run by quarterback Adam Tafralis with 2:35 remaining gave SJSU a 31-21 victory, improving SJSU's record to 6-2 on the season.

The Spartan defense held the high-powered Aggie offense scoreless in the second half. The Aggies led 21-15 at the half.

New Mexico State quarterback Chase Holbrook threw for 349 yards passing and three touchdowns; all three of his touchdown passes were thrown in the first half.

Tailback Yonus Davis rushed for 177 yards on 25 carries and one touchdown in the contest.

SJSU will host nationally ranked Boise State University on Saturday at Spartan Stadium.

Kickoff has been moved to 7:15 p.m., and the game will be televised live nationally on ESPN2.



YONUS DAVIS

Lady Spartans sweep Fresno

By Lindsay Bryant

Daily Staff Writer

The San Jose State University's volleyball team swept Fresno State on Thursday at the Spartan Gym.

Fresno came into the game with a 2-9 record in the Western Athletic Conference.

"There's a lot to be said about playing in our home gym," said captain and senior libero Jessie Shull. "We had a lot of energy. It was a fun match from the very beginning."

The fun and hard work amounted to a 30-26, 30-17, 30-18 sweep over Fresno.

Sophomore Collen Burke lead the team with 13 kills, and head coach Craig Choate said she played an outstanding match.

"(Burke) led us tonight in hitting and helped our team break away from the match," Choate said.

Sophomore Niki Clement contributed 11 kills on 38 attempts and just one hitting error.

In SJSU's last meeting with the Bulldogs in Fresno, the match

went much differently.

The Spartans dropped two games to the Bulldogs in a grueling five-game win 30-28, 30-23, 16-30, 25-30, 15-13.

"The last match with Fresno we had to play in their huge, God-awful gym," Shull said in reference to the SaveMart Center, which has the capacity to hold more than 21,000 people. "It was so quiet and dead, I think it just rattled us."

Junior Jennifer Senfleben, who contributed to the sixth WAC victory by adding six kills, three digs and one block, said the Spartans started out much stronger.

"The Fresno facility was really quiet," Senfleben said. "Here, we have more intensity. We were a lot more fired up for our home crowd."

In front of 418 spectators, the SJSU booster club Spartan Squad chanted "fun-da-men-tals" as Fresno continued to make mistakes in the Spartan Gym.

"The girls just play better here," Choate said. "And it's always nice

to beat a rival like Fresno."

The WAC win places SJSU in fifth place among eight teams in the conference with an even record of 6-6.

This week, five Spartans rank in the top 10 of statistical leaders in the WAC.

Shull leads the WAC in digs at 5.96 per game and is eighth in service aces at 0.36 a game.

Senfleben is at the No. 4 spot for kills at 4.06 per game and fifth for points at 4.56.

Setter Kristina Conrad is third in assists at 11.55 per game, and middle blocker Clement sits in ninth for kills with 3.47 per game and enjoys a hitting percentage of .290.

As a team, the Spartans rank second in digs at 16.37 per game and third in service aces at 1.64 per game, with a .224 hitting percentage.

The Spartans next home game is against Boise State at 7:15 p.m. Thursday in the Spartan Gym.

SJSU SPORTS ROUNDUP

Ice hockey

The San Jose State University Ice Hockey Club swept its weekend series against Brigham Young University at Logitech Ice at San Jose.

Women's soccer

The SJSU women's soccer team lost to Fresno State 1-0 on Saturday in the semifinals of the Western Athletic Conference Tournament.

Men's soccer

The Spartans lost their last game of the season 3-0 on Friday to Sacramento State at Spartan Stadium.

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TALK- Avoided reason for fight

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Larudee continued with slides of damage and shrapnel. He also showed short videos of the people who were displaced from their homes.

Audience members asked questions throughout the presentation. There was also an opportunity to ask questions at the end.

A majority of the questions were in regards to the history of what is going on between Palestine and Israel.

The presentation didn't address "why" the violence is taking place so much as "what" is going on.

Gerald, a junior majoring in political science, said that he was lost during some of the presentation.

He said he was having trouble following the order of the events that were being addressed.

He added that either people know the history or they don't, and he is one of the people who aren't too familiar with the background, which made it hard to keep up.

MEMORY- New technology on the horizon

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least two types, Cambou said. One type is static, such as the memory in a PC which needs an outlet plug. Another is dynamic, which is battery powered.

"A bit is 100 bytes, or ones and zeroes, and a megabyte is 1 million bytes, and a gigabyte is 1 billion bytes," Cambou said.

One of the new memory technologies is called MirrorBit, which is a storage unit that is faster and more efficient than standard flash memory, but it is still expensive and in the early stages of development.

Cambou said that memory cards are used in everything portable including cell phones, laptops, PCs and navigation systems.

Philip Mutungo, a junior in civil engineering found the lecture interesting.

"I thought it was interesting how he said flash affects everyday business," Mutungo said.

Mutungo added that he also thought it interesting how the history of computers has changed over the years.

"The kinds of memory that are used in the computer industry went from read-only-memory that was inflexible

and hard to work with, to random access memory which was easier to read and to write to," Cambou said.

In PCs, some memory chips use memory cells with data on them that can be changed by the user. Some memory storage types are called access cells or serial cells.

"The direct access cells are used for the cache memory in computers and can be read easily, but they aren't easily erased or overwritten," Cambou said. "The serial access cells are faster, but their rewriting ability is slower and less reliable than direct access cells."

MirrorBit memory technology is new and, as of yet, there are still some bugs with it, according to Cambou.

"Flash technologies like this are probably going to be obsolete in six years," Cambou said. "Flash is expensive and yet applications are everywhere."

Technology is going everywhere, Cambou said. Professionals in technology like to change ahead of the trends and come up with new innovations, but most new technology is six to 10 years off in the future.

This story originally appeared online Friday.

SAN JOSE NEWS IN BRIEF

Downtown office building still vacant

SAN JOSE (AP) — A downtown office tower built in 2002 still has not found its first tenant after Silicon Valley graphics

chip maker Nvidia pulled out of a deal to lease the 17-story building.

Talks to bring the Santa Clara-based company's headquarters to the 380,000-square-foot building fell apart Thursday after several months of negotiations.

A spokesman for Nvidia said the economics of the deal led the company

to abandon the planned lease. Building owner John M. Sobrato said financial arrangements had not changed since a letter of intent was signed Oct. 1.

"I have never in my 25 years had a deal fall apart on the day it was supposed to be signed," Sobrato said.

A 15-year lease would have cost about

\$133 million, according to Sobrato.

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